

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re application of : **Confirmation No. 9880**
Noriaki TAKAICHI : Atty Docket No. 2001_1772A
Serial No. 09/980,311 : Group Art Unit 2187
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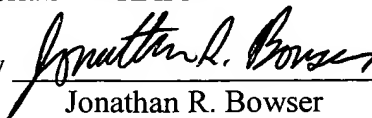
An Information Disclosure Statement and Form PTO-1449, together with the references cited thereon and a foreign search report, were submitted in the above-identified application on February 7, 2002. The references listed on the February 7, 2002 were considered by the Examiner, and an Examiner-initialed copy of the February 7, 2002 Form PTO-1449 was returned to the Applicant with the Notice of Allowance dated January 22, 2004.

However, reference "AK" listed on the February 7, 2002 was erroneously identified as JP "6-30978." Reference "AK" is correctly identified on the substitute Form PTO-1449 submitted herewith as JP "6-309798." Accordingly, the Applicant respectfully requests the Examiner to return an initialed copy of the substitute Form PTO-1449 to indicate consideration of the properly identified reference "AK" listed thereon. A marked-up copy of the February 7, 2002 Form PTO-1449 is also submitted herewith to indicate the correction made thereto.

Respectfully submitted,

Noriaki TAKAICHI

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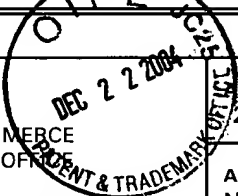


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